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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



ello everyone! The weather this month has been very strange, snow one day, rain the next and spotty sunshine in between. So hopefully we will have some consistent sunshine through the end of the month.

I would like to sincerely express our appreciation to the wonderful guest speakers we had last month, Mr. Roger Nielson and Mr. Duane Bylund, for their fantastic presentation about Camp Floyd and Johnston's army. The historical infor-



mation and artifacts they have found and shared with us was amazing.

Our Medals chairman Don Swain will have order forms for our new 2010 club medals.

This month's mini-display will be presented by Boyd Pickering- Gold coins.



It is an honor to have our own Mr. Bob Campbell, owner of "ALL ABOUT COINS" for our speaker this month. He will be talking to us about cleaning coins (old and new.) Bob has been interested in coins

since he was 12 years old. He is a former ANA President and a leading expert on Utah Trade Tokens and on the de-

tection of counterfeit coins. This will be a fantastic and very informative evening. So come join us and bring some of your old dirty coins and Bob will show you how to clean them at the meeting.



A reminder that the NUTS Club Coin Show is coming up on June 25th & 26th so **please sign up at the May meeting as a volunteer to help at the front desk**. If you have any questions please check with Brandon Phillips our V.P. and Coin Show Chairman.

With the current prices of gold let's all hope for golden sunshine and a Gold Coin around the next corner. See ya at the meeting.

Todd Monson

MAY 27

Time: 7:00 pm Room 105 Location: Columbus Community Center 2531 South 400 East

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APRIL SPEAKERS

Nuts Club members were fortunate to have quest speakers Duane A. Bylund and Roger B. Nielson return for presentations on the history of Old Camp Flovd. One cannot help but be awestruck at the adventures and knowledge of these gentlemen...

Mr. Bylund is the author of

the book "In Search of Iohnston's Army." Mr. Nielson is the author of "Roll Call at Old Camp Floyd, Utah Territory."



Duane A. Bylund

Through a chance conver- Roger B Nielson sation with co-workers about metal detecting in the mid 1980's, Bylund learned of an 1847-C five dollar gold piece that had been found West of Cedar Fort, Utah. Theorizing that something of historical significance had occurred in the area, he embarked on research that led him to the study of Johnston's Army and to a map reference of "Old Camp Floyd", a much different location than the Camp Floyd located at Fairfield, Utah.

Together with Nielson and others, Bylund spent 15 years searching the area with metal detectors, painstakingly documenting artifacts recovand locations. eries Along with many historically significant items, Bylund has recovered an astonishing 70+ gold coins.

Mr. Nielson's book and research focuses on mili-

tary no-



menclature. weaponry, individual soldiers and their personal stories as well as the configuration of units assembled under Johnston's Army. Bylund's book details the recovery of coins, unit insignia, military equipment, and personal items and offers insight into the layout of the encampment based on the type of item found and the location recovered.

FREEDOM IS NOT FREE

By Kelly Strong

I watched the flag pass by one day.

It fluttered in the breeze. A young Marine saluted it, and then he stood at ease. I looked at him in uniform So young, so tall, so proud,



He'd stand out in any crowd.

I thought how many men like him Had fallen through the years.

How many died on foreign soil?

How many mothers' tears?

How many pilots' planes shot down?

How many died at sea?

How many foxholes were soldiers' graves?

No. freedom isn't free.

I heard the sound of TAPS one night, When everything was still I listened to the bugler play And felt a sudden chill. I wondered just how many times That TAPS had meant "Amen," When a flag had draped a coffin Of a brother or a friend. I thought of all the children, Of the mothers and the wives, Of fathers, sons and husbands With interrupted lives. I thought about a graveyard At the bottom of the sea Of unmarked graves in Arlington. No, freedom isn't free.



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bottleCliff Fausett
keyMike Morey
us coinNeil Phillips



Terry Wright



Mike Morey



Johnny Player

CUMBERLAND DIG May 22-23, 2010 Please use your iudgment on the weather if you will attend or not

This is a reminder about the opportunity to do some fun detecting/screening at the old Wyoming ghost town of Cumberland on May 22-23, 2010. Members of several clubs will be participating. There will be a few camping over. There are also Motels that are close.

If you plan on joining us please remember to:

Watch out for critters (snakes and ticks)Bring plenty of your own water and snacks***Sun screen***Jacket in case of inclement weather***Extra batteries/detector (if you have one) ***Screen/shovel***Fill in any holes you create PLEASE

Those of you who have been to this location please assist those who have not been there before.

Go 13 miles east of Evanston, Wyoming on I-80. Take the Kemmerer Exit and get on Highway 189 going North. Go 22 miles to Carter Exit. Go East a short distance (about 1/4 to 1/2 mile) then turn left on a dirty road. Go another short distance and turn north (left) on another dirt road. This road is very rocky and trailers are not recommended. This starts Cumberland 1 area. Keeping on the dirt road about 1 to 2 miles is Cumberland 2. Keep traveling and you will go through all of Cumberland. Camping will be at the north end of Cumberland. The easiest way to reach this is to stay on 189 and go approximately 5 miles from the Carter Exit. You have gone too far if you reach an old saloon/bar/hotel. Turn around and at the top of the hill is a nice dirt road with a gate that reads "KEEP CLOSED." This is the recommended camping area. All of Cumberland is visible from Highway 189. You will be able to see anyone that is digging. You can also park on the side of the road and climb the fence.

JPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 27TH - N.U.T.S. MONTHLY MEETING - Location: 2531 South 400 East, Room 105 - Time: 7:00 PM

May 22nd – 23rd – Lisbon, North Dakota. NEW LOCATION! Minnkota Artifact Recovery Group's 11th annual treasure hunt at Dead Colt Creek Park. Coins, Food, Raffles. For more info, contact Jeff Kehl at ikehl1963@yahoo.com or (320) 845-7814.

MAY 22nd – Onset, Massachusetts. The 18th Annual Open Treasure Hunt sponsored by the Gateway Treasure Hunters Club at the Onset Public Beach, rain or shine. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Easy access from I-95, I-495 and Mass. Routes 3, 6, 25 and 28. For more info, call Roy Gouge at (508) 759-9779, e-mail phyl-roy@verizon.net or visit the club's website at http://mysite.verizon.net/gthclub22

May 29th – 30th – Casper, Wyoming. The Natrona County Rockhounds Club will host its Gem, Rock and Mineral Show 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 29 and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 30 at the Natrona County Fairgrounds Industrial Building, 1700 Fairgrounds Road. Vendors, demonstrations, displays, silent auction, door prizes, raffles and more. Admission: \$3, children 12 and younger free with an adult. For more information, contact Randy Sternberg at 307-234-6156.

JUNE 5th – Shawsville, Virginia. 19th Annual Open Hunt by the Roanoke Valley Coin & Relic Club at Camp Alta Mons. More info, Marilyn Epperly, 2136 Maiden Lane, SW, Roanoke, VA 24015, (540)342-0153 or e-mail grammaepp1@juno.com or Anna Feazell (540) 563-4118 or e-mail at shortbelle@aol.com

June 5th – Stanwood, Washington. Pilchuck Treasure Hunting Club's 28th Annual Hunt, Junefest 2010, at the Stanwood Fair Grounds, 6431 Pioneer Hwy. Raffles: Main, 50/50, Silver Dollar and Treasure Wheel. Potluck lunch at noon, bring a dish. Kids' Hunt (12 years or under). Check www.pilchucktreasurehunts.org for updated information. For more, e-mail pilchucktreasurehunts@yahoo.com

June 5th – Riverside, California. Route 66 Gold Miners' 1st Annual Treasure Hunt, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Rancho Jurupa Regional Park on Crestmore Road off Mission Blvd. Metal detecting hunt, special key hunt and 50/50 raffle. Some prizes include a metal detector, gold coins and silver rounds. For more information, contact Larry Eleftheriou, Hunt Master, at Larrywaters1@aol.com or send pre-registration to Route 66 Gold Miners, Inc.,8251 La Palma Ave., Box 393, Buena Park, CA 90620.

June 6th – Topeka, Kansas. Topeka Treasure Hunters' Open National Treasure Hunt at Reynolds Lodge at Lake Shawnee. Five hunts rain or shine, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. For more info, contact Russell Broxterman, 1210 School, Box 162, Auburn, KS 66402, (785) 256-2925.

June 12th – 13th – Hampton, Illinois. Cedar Valley Research and Recovery will hold their Fifth Annual Treasure Hunt at the Illiniwek Forest Preserve, Route 84. For more, contact Joseph Evans, 3427 Circle Dr., Cedar Rapids, IA 52402, Phone (319) 265-4418 or e-mail joeevans@imonmail.com

June 18th – 20th – Athol, Idaho. Northwest Treasure Hunters Club's 38th annual hunt at the Farragut State Park. Contact Eric Payne at (208) 772-4794 or by e-mail at payneea@hotmail.com

June 18th – 20th –New Staunton, Pennsylvania. Treasurefest 2010 at the Fox Den Acres campground. There will be 10 hunts with a variety of themes. You can enter for one day or all three. The fee is \$30 per hunt and registrations can be sent to Ed Burke, 84 S. Atherton Ave., Kingston, PA 18704, call (570) 331-0600, or e-mail potogold1@verizon.net, or Duane Biller (724) 439-1380, snakemandb@earthlink.net

June 19th – 20th – Hastings, Nebraska. The Nebraskaland Treasure Hunters Club's Annual Hunt at the ghost town of Leroy, south of Hastings on Hwy. 281. For info, contact Dale or Marilyn Ratzlaff at (402) 736-4455 or dalyn@mainstaycomm.net

June 19th – 20th – Powell, Wyoming. The Wyoming State Mineral & Gem Show hosted by the Shoshone Rock Club and assisted by the Cody 59'ers at the Park County Fairgrounds, 655 5th Street. Admittance - Adults: \$2 each, Ages 12-18: \$1 each. For information, contact Jane R. Neale, (307) 754-3285 or Mary Ann Northrup, (307) 754-4472.

June 19th – 20th –Georgetown, Indiana. The Hoosier Hills Treasure Hunters Club and the Down n' Dirty Diggers Metal Detecting Club will each host one day of this weekend hunt – the Diggers' 9th Annual Open Hunt on Sat., and the Hoosier Hills' "Second Day" Hunt on Sun. For more info on the Diggers, contact Mike Byrn by e-mail at byrn@hughes.net or call (812) 366-3558. For more on the Hoosiers, contact Chad Beesley at c.beesley@insightbb.com or call (812) 966-2137 or (812) 498-0336.

June 26th – 27th – Palmer, Alaska. Alaska Treasure Seekers' 34th Annual Metal Detecting Hunt at the Alaska State Fairgrounds – France Equestrian Center – 2075 Glenn Highway. For more info, contact Cathy Lundine, (907) 696-1910 or e-mail lundi-ne5@aol.com

JUNE 24th - N.U.T.S. MONTHLY MEETING - Location: 2531 South 400 East, Room 105 - Time: 7:00 PM





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Irv Ratcliffe



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Brent Phillips

A nun was sitting at the airport waiting for her flight to Chicago. She looked over & saw one of those weight machines that tells your fortune.

Deciding to give it a try, she went to the machine, stepped on the scale and put her nickel in. Out came a card saying, "You are a nun, you weigh 128 Lbs and you're going to Chicago".

The nun sat back down & told herself the machine probably gives the same reading to Everyone. The more she thought about it, the more curious she was, so she decided to try it again.

She went back to the machine and put another nickel in. Out came a card, "You are a nun, you weigh 128 lbs, you are going to Chicago and you're going to play a fiddle.

The nun said to herself, I know this is wrong. I've never played a musical instrument In my life. She went back to her seat. Then, a cowboy came and sat down, putting his fiddle on the seat between them.

Without thinking, she opened the case, took out the fiddle and started playing. Surprised at what she'd done, she looked at the machine and decided to try again.

She went back and put in another nickel. The card said "You are a nun, you weigh 128 lbs, you are going to Chicago & you're going to break wind."

Now, she knew the machine was wrong. She'd never broken wind in public in her life. But getting off the scale, she slipped and straining to keep from falling, she broke wind.

Stunned, she sat down and looked at the machine, thinking I have to try this again. She went back to the machine and dropped in another nickel.

Another Card came out. It read, "You are a nun, you weigh 128 lbs, you've fiddled & farted around & missed your flight to Chicago

Thanks to our Wagon Masters Todd Monson is in each photo



Phil Lavorgna



Johnny Gallegos





Mike Morey, Grand Prize Winner



Duane & Carrie Bylund Roger & Nancy Nielson



Another Hobby Julie Gold & Lin Brown



Voting



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Neil Phillips



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Bob Campbell's visiting Scout Troop.



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Bob Whipple is taking orders for his NUTS hat.



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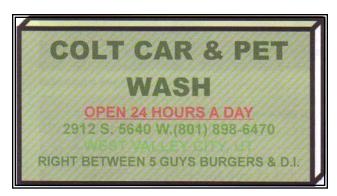
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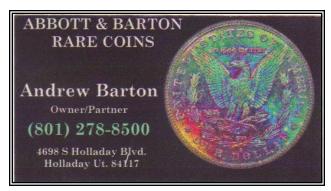
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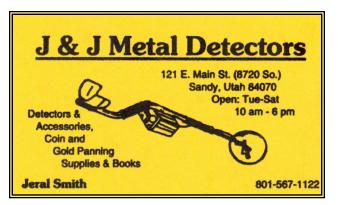
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LIFE IS A JOURNEY SO ENJOY THE RIDE

By Brandon Phillips



My name is Brandon Phillips and I am an Operator/ Firefighter at the Tesoro Salt Lake Refinery. On Jan. 19, 2007 I experienced something that

changed my life forever. I was on shift when my wife called the control room and the next thing I heard on the radio is "you need to call your wife now." I called her and could barely understand her. She was very upset and crying. The only thing I got from the brief phone conversation was that I needed to get to Primary Children's Medical center immediately. My wife was up there with my 11 month old son Payton and was waiting for results from a blood test. Later that evening the Doctor met with us to inform us that Payton had Leukemia and to plan on making the hospital our home for the next few years.

As a father this was tough to swallow. I had pictured my boy playing basketball and catching touchdowns, making the crowd go wild. In the blink of an eye our world had taken a 360 degree turn. I was a young father willing to do anything to give my son everything and yet I couldn't take his cancer away. Feeling helpless that night I got on my knees and said a prayer because I needed some strength. Blood transfusions and Chemotherapy began immediately

and his hair soon fell out. I could only ask why? How could such a precious, innocent child have to endure so much pain and discomfort? My wife and I would be lying if we said this has been easy because it has been a huge challenge with highs and lows. Through all this we have been so blessed to meet some wonderful people that we may not have had the opportunity to meet. Payton loves going to the hospital. He calls the nurses and doctors his friends and asks. "When do I get to go play with my friends at my hospital?" We cannot thank the Nurses and Doctors enough. During the last three and a half years of treatment Payton wasn't able to go many places due to his low immune system and risk of getting sick. He would ask, "Dad, when I get better can I go four wheeling or can I go to the football game with you?" He never once complained about having cancer. He loves life and has taught us to love life as well no matter what challenges we may all face. Payton fits the quote "To perform like a Champion you must practice like one." Three and a half years later and all his Chemotherapy complete Payton scored his touchdown and won his battle with cancer on March 30. 2010. What a Champion!

Payton has had a lot of support through his older brother Hunter, family and friends. This last month we had a Turnaround

at the Salt Lake Refinery and I would like to give an example of what great friends and co workers I have. A couple Operators got together and thought it would be cool to raise a little money and get Payton a gift in celebration of him completing Chemotherapy. As word got out about Payton more and more people wanted to contribute. The numbers grew and they raised enough money to buy Payton a four wheeler and a gift card for Payton and his older brother Hunter to purchase whatever they wanted, so they got a WII. When they presented this to me after one of our turnover meetings I was in shock, the joy they brought Payton and his brothers face will never be forgotten. I am so grateful to work with such a great group of people who have supported me and have been there for me, words will never fully show my appreciation. Payton is now four years old and loving life more than ever. Payton has taught me that "LIFE IS A JOURNEY SO EN-JOY THE RIDE."

Payton is very excited to attend the NUTS club regularly with his older brother Hunter. He has many friends here at the NUTS club and will make many more. As it has been stated before "The greatest treasures we have are our friends and family." We're proud to be N.U.T.S.

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http://utahtokensociety.com/ Johnny Gallegos, Webmaster



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